

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**SB 3092 – HB 3251**

February 26, 2010

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014523):** Requires the Board of Medical Examiners enter into a written agreement with the United States Office of Homeland Security to enforce federal immigration laws relating to the licensure of foreign physicians, which may include use of the federal systematic alien verification of entitlements (SAVE) program.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Increase State Expenditures - \$500/Board of Medical Examiners

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$300/Board of Medical Examiners**

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- There will not be a fiscal impact to contract with the U.S. Office of Homeland Security, but the Board will be charged a monthly fee of \$25 which covers 17 queries of the SAVE program. Any queries beyond 17 within a month will result in an additional charge of approximately \$1.50 per query.
- It is assumed that the Board would pay the \$25 per month for use of the program resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$300 (\$25 x 12 months).
- The increase in expenditures of \$300 can be handled within the existing resources of the Board without an increase in fees.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a balance of \$108,302.81. The Board's FY08-09 balance is not yet available.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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